

WEATHER

Forecast: Bunches of cold tonight and Friday. Highest yesterday 43; lowest this morning 23. Barometer 3 a.m. increasing.
Sun Rise Friday 7:04; Sea 8:11

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LEGAL AUTHORITIES

PROVINCE IN DICKER OVER E. D. & B. C. RY.

Brownlee Said to Have Completed Deal for Securities

SUM OF \$1,200,000 REPORTED INVOLVED

Confirmation of Rumor Not Obtained at Parliament Buildings

Exclusive to Bulletin
MONTREAL, Feb. 10.—Rumors are current in financial quarters that Premier Brownlee of Alberta has concluded arrangements with The Royal Bank of Canada to purchase the securities held by the Bank with reference to the E.D. & B.C. railway for the net sum of \$1,200,000. The Bank's claim was one taken over by them through the absorption of The Union Bank of Canada which had made advances to the contractors, J. D. McArthur and Company of Winnipeg.

"Confirmation could not be made this forenoon. From those in authority at the parliament buildings it has been generally understood for some days that the Hon. Ernest Smith, minister of railways, is responsible for making a deal of the kind for the taking over of the E.D. & B.C. Ry. and his deputy, John Callaghan, have had several conversations on the line for some years with the view of provincial railways. The ditching of Premier Greenfield five months ago was evidently largely in the very active opposition of the minister of railways to the Premier's plan of the turning over the line to either the Canadian National or the C.P.R. by way of sale or lease.



Spring, Poets and Poultry

Spring—the season when from lusty birds and birds and poets into song—
is at hand. . . . If you have any doubt about this, step out into the air, walk to the market building, and you will both feel the atmosphere and hear the music of spring. . . . These you will find the annual poultry show in full swing. Beautiful plumage and a feathered chorus, high contests.
And that brings you to "Poetry for Poets"—and immediately those first attempts to lively matters—the Bulletin.
Get your first fertilizer eggs, your first crop of home made produce through the "Small Ads." Sell your produce in the same speedy way.

"Small Ads" will help you sing of profits

Opens Legislature

WANTON KILLING LIKELY TO EXTERMINATE THE MUSK-OX
Indians Shooting Them for the Mere Love of Slaughter
The musk-ox is going the way of the musk-rabbit, according to word which filtered down to Fort Resolution this winter to the "musk-ox" telegram from the Arctic lakes district. It is stated that these animals are rapidly disappearing due to the attacks made upon them from the coast and inland Indians. Herded by the Arctic natives' hands, the musk-oxen bunch together and remain in a huddle mass until the whole herd is wiped out. No census word that the Indian hunter in the barren this winter season has drifted further south and west than in their word, with dire results to them.
The rumors are rampant from the north here that due to the open winter in the barren this winter season has drifted further south and west than in their word, with dire results to them.
Slaughter for the lust of it is stated to be the case in respect to the caribou migration, and as to the old days large numbers of the deer are being killed for their tongues, the rest of the carcass being left to the foxes.
Wanton killing is charged, and the outcome is expressed this winter date action is necessary to offset these depredations on the wild life of the barren lakes.
REAL ESTATE ACTIVE. DURING JANUARY, IS REPORT OF DEALER
"We sold more vacant property in Edmonton during the past month than in any January that I remember since I have been in business here," says N. C. Leage, real estate dealer.
There is no question but that things are decidedly looking up and in general I regard prospects for this year as being very good," he went on.
He also states that his firm is selling quite a few farms, most of which are being sold to local people instead of being sold to the west, and he takes it as an indication that Edmonton is getting in on the ground floor before the spring rush for land comes.

ELECTORS IN FOUR CONSTITUENCIES NOT REPRESENTED

Six Vacancies in House at Session Contrary to Terms of Legislative Assembly Act—Prominent Authorities in City Point Out Gravity of Government's Procedure

ALL LEGISLATION MAY BE AFFECTED

Acts Passed May Be Subject of Costly Litigation in Future—Provision for By-elections Positive and Definite in Assembly Act Passed Two Sessions Ago

Sensational challenges of the legality of the session of the Legislature which open this afternoon, and charge that Hon. J. D. Brownlee, premier and attorney general, has utterly disregarded the constitution of the province and flouted the laws placed on the statute books by the present government, are being made in high legal circles this morning.

It is stated on excellent legal authority that the action of Lieutenant-Governor Egbert in calling the present session on the advice of the government—Premier Brownlee asking that such action be taken—is wholly unconstitutional, and that as a result every act passed by the legislature at the present session can be invalidated.

Sub-section three, of section three of chapter 24 of the Alberta statutes of 1924, known as "An Act respecting the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly," passed in the 1924 session, and which became law when it was assented to by the Legislature of that year, is cited as bearing out the contention as to the legality of the session which opens today.

This subsection is definite and specific. It reads as follows: "No election shall be held in the province in the Legislative act in the representation of any electoral division in any way, an election shall be held in each such division within 120 days after, unless a general election is to be held before the expiration of the session, PROVIDED THAT WHEREAS IT IS NECESSARY TO HOLD SUCH ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO GIVE THE ELECTORAL DIVISION REPRESENTATION IN THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE ELECTION SHALL BE HELD."

It is pointed out that six vacancies in the legislature, four of which are in the electoral divisions of Edmonton, Calgary and two in the two largest centres of population in the province, are created by the seats they should have under the law.

One-half of the people of the province are without representation directly in the legislature, and it is pointed out that section 24 of the act which specifically states that where it is necessary to hold such election in order to give the representation.

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HARDISTY LOCAL TO BE CHANGED FROM DAILY TO TRI-WEEKLY
Changes announced by the Canadian Press, effective Monday, Feb. 15, will change the popular short-run daily the Hardisty local from a daily to a tri-weekly service.

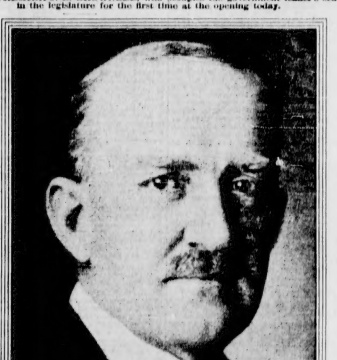
On Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at 4:15 in the morning at Hardisty at 11:00 a.m.
Further alleged that the campaign against Premier King was also directed against the Hon. Thomas and Arthur Meighen with a view to their election to the House of Commons, and that the paper referred to was attempting to "kill the prime minister in the present election with the same methods it pursued in defeating him in North York."

THAT PUT OUT
Arrangements for the holding of a civil jury for the trial in the Assiniboine case, Feb. 12, of the widow of A. M. Knight against the Macdonald Hotel, have been called, a further adjournment, probably until May 5, being made.

House Leaders



PREMIER J. D. BROWNLEE, who occupies the government leader's seat in the legislature for the first time at the opening today.



HON CHAS R MITCHELL, K.C. B.A., M.L.A.

Former provincial treasurer, now leader of Alberta Liberals and official opposition leader in the House.

Salmon Run in B.C. Nearly Two Records
VANCOUVER, Feb. 11.—Final figures on the salmon run of the British Columbia for 1925, issued yesterday by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, show a record for the history of the province has been set.

Altogether 1,732,222 cases of salmon of all varieties were landed out by boats of the British Columbia coast. In 1924 the total was 1,742,312.

BLIZZARD IN EAST CLAIMS SEVERAL LIVES

New York Buried in Snow and Swept by Howling Gale

HUGE DRIFTS ARE BLOCKING STREETS

Half-frozen Sea Lashed to Fury and Shipping Seeks Refuge

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Roaring down on the northeastern United States which were still digging themselves out of the blizzard which struck this section less than a week ago, a second terrific snowstorm swept over New York again today with a howling northeast gale and a two-foot snow fall, has successfully tied up all traffic in clothing.

Drifts in the city were six to ten feet high. Trains over the various bridges were blocked and many were stalled in long lines of trains which could not reach the city and drive on traffic is completely paralyzed today, and while snow ploughs are working 24 hours after endeavoring to back away through the drifts, all insurance is now at a standstill.

No Deaths Reported
But for one death, it is reported that it is thought that this last will be a considerable number. New York has died their out from the storm, mostly at a cost of millions. Property damage has also been enormous. Long lines of abandoned autos are all over the downtown section, out of control on the sidewalks and in the streets. The conditions are so bad that a check up of the cars is being made. Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts with the state of New Jersey in way on the coast toward New England.

13 DANISH SAILORS ARE RESCUED FROM SINKING MOTORSHIP

Exclusive to Bulletin
NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The crew of thirteen Danish seamen on the motor ship Finto, sinking off the French coast in a raging storm, were rescued by the American freighter, Zepher.

News of the rescue was flashed from the rescue ship to the coast guard station in New York. The Finto, bound for Copenhagen with a general cargo, the ship was wrecked off the coast of France. The Danish S.O.S. shortly after dawn, and reached the sinking vessel before noon.

OH! MARGY

BY JOHN HELD, JR.



Margy says every time she decides to let her hair grow she needs a hair cut.

GIRLS Here's a subject to give you a thrill. It's all about the "Hustle of" TAFFETA It's a new kind of Taffeta, and it's all the go. Not so "rusty" as of old, very MODISH But you must see the drawings and read the descriptions today by MITZI

